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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his remarks accompanying the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) due, dated May 23, 2011, and respectfully requests entry and consideration of the following remarks.

Applicant recognizes that in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, the Examiner's reasons for allowance need not set forth all of the details as to why the claims are allowed. In the above-referenced application, Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. In particular, Applicant does not concede that all of the identified limitations are necessary to distinguish the prior art of record or to satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. Furthermore, the claims may be patentable for other reasons. In addition, the dependent claims are allowable on their own merits, and are allowable on the basis of a sub-combination of the recited features of the dependent claims and their respective base claims.

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No fee is believed associated with the instant remarks. Should the Commissioner determine otherwise, please apply any additional charges or credits to our Deposit Account No. 06-1050 (ref. no. 19004-0009002).

Respectfully submitted,

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